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DIARY NOTES

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1. Today's crisis involved the water outage caused by a break in the 12-inch main between our reserve water tank and the Headquarters building. Supervisors were urged to grant annual leave or compensatory time to those employees who could be spared. This situation pointed up the necessity for having a parallel water line, and I asked to proceed with this.

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2. reported that the Public Buildings Service (Region 3) is interested in our reaction to a proposal which would move our people who are now in the temporary buildings, the and the Matomic Building into about three buildings now under construction in the Rosslyn area. I looked at this area today, and while I thought that it was not as desirable as being in one building downtown, either in the and G Streets or somewhere in the Southwest area, this area is improving all the time and it doesn't look too bad. It is very accessible to the George Washington Parkway and also quite convenient to the Pentagon, White House, etc. One great advantage would be that one of these three buildings, which contains approximately 80,000 square feet, will be available within the next thirty to sixty days. While I haven't bought the idea, I asked H. S. to get the Office of Security to look at it right away and to talk with me again prior to my departure on leave. As I understand it, our people in the Matomic Building would be the first to move into this newly constructed building, and GSA and the Bureau of Public Roads would be willing to pay for this move and to pick up the tab for the rent in order to make the first move toward consoli-

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3. I talked to about the possibility of returning to Washington to become Chief of the Supply Division. He anticipated that it would take him until about 15 September to clean up his work and turn it over to someone else. He would prefer to move now rather than to wait until the first of the year, however. I think that this is what we should

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dation and also to accommodate BPR. Presumably, this move would also satisfy Rex Whitton who would grant immediate approval for the use of more

BPR property on which to construct a new parking lot.

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